MEMORANDUM

TO:

The Honorable Members of the State Board of Education

FROM:

Janet Barresi

DATE:

March 25, 2014

SUBJECT:

2013 Love's Creative SPARKS! Recipients

The State Department of Education recognizes the 2013 Love's Creative SPARKS! award recipients.

Love's Creative SPARKS! rewards students with creative ideas who use their imagination to envision a more creative learning environment. These ideas can be put into action in their school community.

Cash prizes are awarded to the school and students selected. These cash awards encourage implementation of the student's ideas, and are to be used to provide seed funding for their project.

Elementary level winners, Amy Meta and Channing Hill, both second-graders from Clegern Elementary School submitted a proposal detailing their idea for a school wide math carnival.

Middle school level winner Mark Wendleboe, an eigth-grader from Oakdale Middle School proposed an Oakdale Peer Tutoring Program based on the premise that students are more likely to ask their peers for help than a parent or a teacher.

High school level winner Baylee Lakey, a sophomore at Sayre High School proposed a nontraditional learning perspective applied to a single required course: Oklahoma History.

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